

**Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional  
Local Human Rights Committee**  
April 14, 2011 – 5:30 PM  
United Way Building – 308 Craighead Street, Danville, VA

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*NOTE: These minutes are subject to approval by the LHRC at its next meeting. Should revisions be made, they will be included as an item in the minutes of that meeting.*

**LHRC Members in Attendance:** Greg Casker, Esther Goins, Lesa Shelton, Jeanne White,

**LHRC Members Not in Attendance:** Jeff Rodden, Beverly Scruggs

**Other Representatives in Attendance:** Roanna Deal, SVMHI Patient Advocate Senior

**Affiliates Not In Attendance:** Children and Family Community Development; Johnny's Hero's

**Minutes Recorder:** Jerri Phillips, SVMHI

**Regional LHRC Minutes and Meeting Schedule:** The Regional Local Human Rights Committee (LHRC) minutes and meeting schedule can be located on the Southern Virginia Mental Health Institute's Web Page @ [www.svmhi.dbhds.virginia.gov](http://www.svmhi.dbhds.virginia.gov) under the heading of Client Advocacy.

**Welcome/Call to Order:** Greg Casker called to order the meeting of the Danville-Pittsylvania County Regional Local Human Rights Committee at 5:30 PM.

**Approval of Minutes:** February 10, 2011 minutes were approved.

**Affiliation Request:** *All Care Family Services:* Mr. Jim Hairston reporting that All Care wishes to add mental health support services. He has submitted all qualifying information to be licensed and is now asking for affiliation approval. Lesa Shelton made the motion to accept; Esther Goins seconded; the Committee approved the request.

*Life Support Mental Health Community Support Services* is requesting affiliation. Services are for ages 18 and over – no cap on the number they will be serving right now. The facility has not yet opened as it is waiting for a licensure visit. Offices are located at 709 Industrial Avenue. Jeanne White made a motion to accept; Esther Goins seconded; Committee approved request.

**Advocate's Report:** R. Deal reported that she has mailed handouts to all affiliates. She asked that reports be sent by email, thus cutting down on paper needs. Training will be provided to affiliates as requested, i.e. abuse investigations, peer-to-peer conflicts. Please let Roanna know your interests and training will occur either before or after the Regional LHRC meeting.

**Affiliate Reports:**

- **Alliant** – J. Rosenbaum reported no incidents – currently they are serving a total of 24 clients.
- **A New Inspiration** – Serving 33 clients with no incidents to report
- **ACE** – L. Scott reported that there have been no referrals for intellectual disabilities. There are 7 new employees. No complaints to report. On 2/9 a medication reaction needed follow-up; the person has recovered. ACE has 70 employees for 28 clients.

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- **All Care Family Services** – Referral for mental health support clients is needed.
- **Danville CSB**
  - \*Behavioral Health- no allegation and no peer-to-peer incidents. The Residential Crisis Stabilization program is fully operational.
  - \*Intellectual Division – 2 reportables (one peer-to-peer kicking incident - no injuries. Staff was found to be appropriate.) Another incident was a medical emergency and the client was transferred to a nursing home.
- **Danville Regional Medical Center-** A. Price reported no seclusions or peer-to-peer conflicts. One human rights complaint was on dignity; however, the person did not pursue the timeframes and it was unfounded.
- **Doss Estates** – 4 individuals are being served. There are 3 new employees. No allegations have been made.
- **Family Preservation Services** – They have been renewed by the local schools. There were no complaints.
- **The Fletcher Center** – No incidents – Sheila Moran is no longer with the agency.
- **The Hughes Center** – 49 residents being served. 19 peer-to-peer incidents in February with no injuries. In March there were 30 incidents (not unusual for spring). In February there were 26 incidents of physical hold restraint for 137 minutes. In March there were 29 incidents for 191 minutes (approximately 6 ½ minutes each). In Feb there were 12 allegations of abuse not founded. In March there was 1 allegation founded internally – and staff was terminated. Hughes Center has been accredited for 3 years.

Kaye Nance with Hughes would like training to know what is reportable. The committee discussed that each program can adopt interventions for that agency (according to state guidelines). They must have policies and the state has to sign off on these interventions when licensing the program.

- **Kingdom Dominion** - No incidents and no abuse - licensed as a group home.
- **M.T. Sorrell Home** – No allegations; the Human Rights cite review went well.
- **Negril** – No incidents and no abuse – hired 2 new staff. 37 clients are served in the residential program and 35 served in the outpatient program.
- **New Hope Support Services** – No complaints
- **Stanfield Group Home** – Currently no residents – will be serving intellectually disabled.
- **SVMHI** – In February there were no DI 201 incidents; there were 6 complaints and 26 seclusions. In March there was 1 unfounded complaint, 14 seclusions and 1 emergency mechanical restraint. A new GED program has started for both forensic and civil patients.
- **Therapeutic Interventions, Inc.** – Just getting started.

**Implementation of SHRC Mandate:** The Cooperative agreement was discussed. Page 4 listing meeting place; clerical support, equipment, transportation, refreshments, and delegated to another provider was discussed and open to members.

It was decided that the LHRC would continue to meet at the United Way Building; clerical support will be provided by SVMHI; no equipment is need; no transportation needed; if anyone wished to bring refreshments that would be fine.

Lesa Shelton, Committee Member, pointed out to the affiliates the need for more consumer participation. Anyone knowing a consumer or family of a consumer that would be interested in participating the LHRC should let Roanna or board members know.

With no further questions, affiliates signed and submitted cooperative agreements.

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**2011 Meeting Schedule:** The committee needed to make changes to the meeting schedule for the remainder of the year. They will continue meeting at 5:30 PM in the United Way Building. The schedule will be June 16; August 18; October 20 and December 1

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM.

**Next Meeting:** June 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM, United Way of Danville-Pittsylvania County